



Hinton Public School



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"Every little one counts"

Term 1

Week 6

Newsletter 5

3rd March 2016

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Have you seen the fixed playground area recently? It has been filled, literally to the brim, with 20 cubic metres of soft fall. Many thanks to the P&C, parents and students who assisted with this task.

Another thanks to Holly Moore and Stacey Garland who have spent many mornings categorising our library books so that the students will be able to complete this year's Premier's Reading Challenge.

Last week the school took part in an audit. Some of the areas for improvement revolved around student attendance. Students should be at school before the 9.30am bell, ready to learn. It is understandable that at times people run late. This, however, is not a 'justifiable' reason and is recorded as such. The disruption of a child arriving late to class has other ramifications as well. Conversely, students who leave early for reasons other than illness are also recorded as an unjustifiable absence. In certain circumstances, a medical certificate may be required if attending an appointment during school hours. Thank you for your cooperation.

On Friday, 4th March, the office will be unattended. Messages can be left on the answering machine or, if the call is of an urgent nature, please phone the school mobile on **0477 753 631**. We apologise for any inconvenience.

NAPLAN 2016

All students in Years 3 and 5 will complete the NAPLAN tests during May 2016. Parents and Carers who wish to apply for an exemption or withdrawal, must discuss their intention with the principal. Please contact the office for further details.

TOWARDS 2017

We are now beginning to take enrolments for 2017. If you know of any prospective students, please have their family contact the school.

You may have recently heard some discussion in the media about the importance of handwriting. Some people say that in this digital age it is no longer important. The research shows that handwriting helps to teach children how to spell and also enhance their reading skills. It hones fine motor skills within the hand and even improves their developing memories. You may find the link below interesting...

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Event	Date	Details
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	Every Friday	Assembly begins at 2.50pm in the Library
Clean Up Australia Day	Friday 4th March	Students are asked to bring along gardening gloves on the day.
SRC Event Carbon Neutral Day	Friday 11th March	Walk to Stuart Park and doing laps of oval. Gold coin donation
Pink Stumps Day	Friday 18th March	Fundraiser for Cancer
Easter Hat Parade	Wednesday 23rd March	Sausage sizzle 11.30 Parade 12.30
School Cross Country	Friday 1st April	Stuart Park

SCHOOL AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Term 1 Week 5

FAIR PLAYER



Maddison Burton



Banjo Spackman

Class Awards Term 1 Week 5

<u>K/D</u>	<u>1/2R</u>	<u>3/4H</u>	<u>5/6C</u>
Tom Brooker	Violet Spackman	Tully Manhood	Dakota Bradley
Ella Stoten	Oscar Manhood	Bonnie Walterback	Adelle Jardine
Cleo Moncrieff	Lachlan Farley	Zoe Webb	Jackson Morris
Narlah Watson	Jacob Wilson	Harriette Connolly	Payton Trusz
	Eliza Menzies		Maddisson Williams



SCHOOL FEES

Accounts have now been sent home with your eldest child.

Payment can be made online, cash or Cheque and are due by Friday 18th March.

Payments are for students Textbooks and Technology Fee.

Kindergarten: Total cost is \$50

Years 1-6: Total cost is \$60

Thank you to the parents who have already made their payments.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING: HINTON OOSH – Before & After School Care

As a member of the P&C and a parent who was pushing for an operating Before & After School Care at Hinton, thought I would give you an update on how it is going. The OOSH is operating both morning and afternoons, but more children are needed to keep this service at our school. After such a struggle to get this service, it would be a shame to lose it, and to the parents who currently use the system, a struggle to organise childcare elsewhere.

I have recently investigated the cost of childcare using the OOSH and was very surprised that it wasn't as expensive as I thought.

The max you will pay for a morning (afternoon) session BEFORE the 50% REBATE from Centrelink is \$15.30 (\$18.50). The lower your household income the more your REBATE PERCENTAGE INCREASES. You need to apply to Centrelink for the CHILD CARE BENEFIT & RELIEF REBATE to get the discount. So my weekly fee is $\$7.65 \times 5 \text{ days} = \38.25 a week. The 50% REBATE is offered to everyone, this is not means tested, and anyone who applies to Centrelink gets the discount. Booyah!

It is easy to sign up for childcare with the OOSH. Drop in to the office and pick up a folder with a form inside. Fill it out with your details, and drop down and see the ladies at OOSH. If you already have an online Centrelink account – it is super easy. If you don't, you need to set up an online Centrelink account (slight pain involved – but worth it once it is done) so that you can apply for the Child Care Benefit and Relief Rebate.

The Child Care Benefit (also called CCB) is only available to lower household incomes, BUT the Child Care Relief Rebate (also called CCR) is available to EVERYONE. This is to make child care more affordable.

If you are interested in utilising the OOSH and need some advice, don't hesitate to give me a call on 0429 357720. Donna Morris



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Hinton Before and After School Care

Before School Care : 7.00am to 9.00am
After School Care: 3.30pm to 6.00pm

Main Office:
83-85 Weblands Street, RUTHERFORD NSW 2320
Phone: 02 4939 1840 Fax: 02 4939 1849
Email: admin@mbcoosh.org.au



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) NEWS

Every second Thursday, the SRC and a nominated class meet in the Library to discuss school improvements and plan for events. Some of the ideas generated include a visit by Year 6 to a nearby public school to assist with transition to High School, a touch footy competition, a 'random' sports time and a breakfast morning. These ideas are put to the staff (a.k.a. the Senate) for final approval.

P&C NEWS

Entertainment Book – We are taking orders for entertainment books, so if you would like to be put on the list, text Donna on 0429357720. Books are still \$60 and great value for couples and families.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER TERM 1

Dear Parents,

Volunteers are needed for sausage sizzle in term 1. If any parent or grandparent from K- 6 could assist it would be greatly appreciated. **Sausage sizzles are \$2 each which includes a piece of bread, sausage and sauce if required.**

Cooking commences at 10.30am and finishes at 11.30am. The Year 6 students then serve the sausage sizzle to the students.

Please insert your name if you are able to assist with this roster and return to the school office.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sue Jordan

	Roster Sausage Sizzle Term 1
Date	Name of volunteers
Wednesday 9th March	Nigel Parkinson
Wednesday 16th March	Stacey Jenkins
Wednesday 23rd March	Val & Len Tomkins
Wednesday 30th March	Volunteer needed
Wednesday 6th April	Volunteer needed

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 1, 2016

We would like to thank all the parents who have volunteered for Term 1.

The roster for Term 2 has been sent out with your child. If you know of a parent/grandparent/family friend who can assist in the canteen for lunch and/or recess, please contact the number provided below. We have a handful of experienced volunteers who can help newcomers learn the ropes.

If you can assist, please **text/call Jade on 0401604066** with your available dates.

	Friday Lunch 9:30 - 11:30	Friday Recess 2.15-2.45
TERM 1		
Wk 6 4 th March	Steve & Belinda Walterback	Katrina Farley Mandy Ash
Wk 7 11 th March	Aleisha Wheaton Brooke Mexon	Mandy Ash Katrina Farley
Wk 8 18 th March	Holly Moore & Scott Spackman	Holly Moore & Scott Spackman
Wk 9 25 th March	GOOD FRIDAY	
Wk 10 1 st April	CROSS COUNTRY	
Wk 11 8 th April	Mandy Ash Katrina Farley	Mandy Ash Jade Hopkins



Bangalore City Mission (BCM) began when Paul and Violet Raj made the decision to welcome abandoned children into their home. They saw the challenges faced by the children of quarry workers who lived on the outskirts of the city. In 1990, they established Sinclair's High School where to this day the school continues to provide an education for disadvantaged children who have been forced to work in these dangerous environments.

Presented by Jonathan and Satish you will learn more about BCM, the current school expansion project and growing SAC (Sponsor A Child) program. BCM remains dedicated in helping to transform the lives and communities of children living in poverty.

It is a night not to be missed so please join us and bring along a friend.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Date: Friday 11th March

Time: 7:00 – 8:00 pm followed by light supper (please RSVP)

Event: Bangalore City Mission Presentation

Location: Hinton Baptist Church, 42 Elizabeth Street, Hinton.

Contact: Scott Wilmot 0412 575 850



*Presented by Executive Director Jonathan Sinclair
Paul & Business Development Manager Satish
Kumar Krishnan Ram*

WorldShare 

To RSVP for supper contact Ray or Lynne
Miles: 02 4981 7297 (mobile: 0422 431 102 - Ray). Email: rl_miles@tpg.com.au

WALLALONG PLAYGROUP

Do you have children 0-6 years of age? Come and join our Wallalong playgroup at Hinton Public School every Monday morning from 9.45 - 11.45 during school terms. We are a small informal group so come and have a chat while the kids play. Please bring a hat and small plate of food to share for the kids. Phone Katrina on 0421815840 for more information.



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Bethany Mate 0403 143211



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- Each child receives a personal development portfolio as a record of their achievements

For all centre details and enrolment enquiries, please contact:

Tamra Greentree | 4930 1080
largs@kindypatch.com.au

Or visit the centre at any time for a tour:

78 Largs Avenue,
Largs NSW 2320

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